

Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Prevention and Response in Syria

January – June 2025

33,833

people participated in GBV awareness sessions

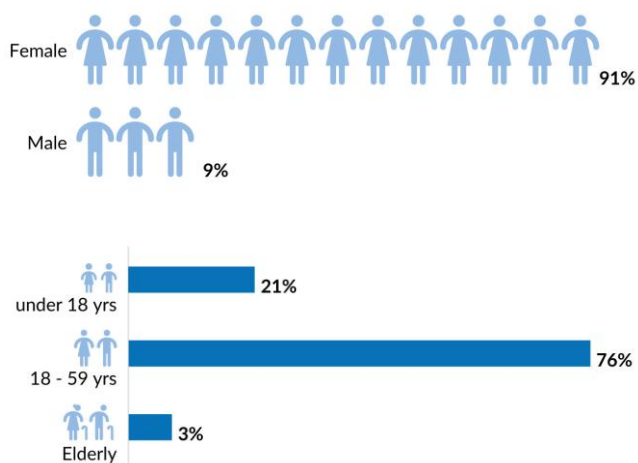
88

community-based structures supported

1,590

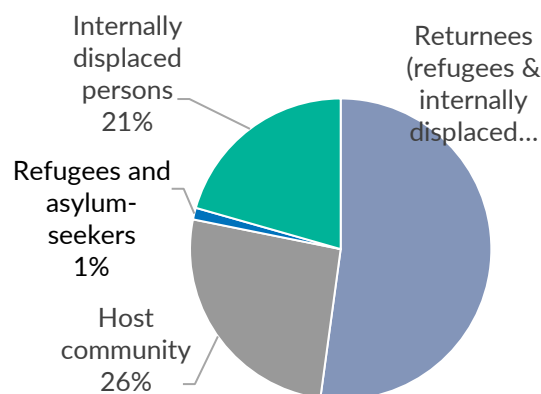
GBV survivors received safe and survivor-centred GBV response services

42,592 individuals reached with GBV prevention and response services

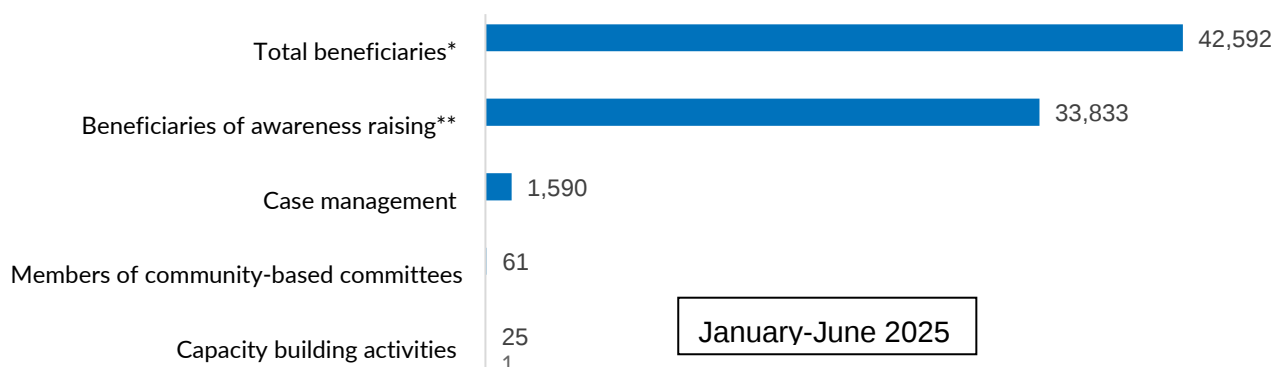


Population groups

benefiting from GBV prevention and response services



📍 14 Governorates | 🏠 69 Community Centres | 🤝 15 Partners





Case management

UNHCR's survivor-centred approach to GBV case management seeks to empower the survivor by prioritizing the survivor's rights, needs, and wishes. This is done by ensuring survivors have access to appropriate, accessible, and quality support services including health care, psychological and social support, and legal services. In line with the guiding principles on protection and applying the survivor-centred approach, UNHCR and its partners tailor each service to the needs of each survivor based on their priorities.

During the first half of 2025, UNHCR and its partners identified and supported **1,590** GBV survivors through survivor-centred and multi-sectoral case management services.



Awareness-raising

Awareness-raising is a fundamental component of UNHCR's GBV prevention strategy to enhance gender equality and gender inclusion. It fosters communication and information exchange to improve mutual understanding of GBV and the related harms within the communities, as well as available services, especially to GBV survivors, and to promote change in attitude and behaviour.

UNHCR and its partners conducted awareness sessions in community centres, schools, and collective shelters, among other locations, reaching **33,833** individuals in the first half of 2025. The topics of the sessions were selected based on the needs, including life skills for women, violence against women in the labour market, gender equality for children, cyber risks and online harassment for adolescents, forms of domestic violence and legal framework on GBV. The distribution of dignity kits was carried out in parallel to the awareness sessions to address menstrual hygiene and protection needs of women and girls. A total of **7,169 kits** were distributed during the first half of 2025.

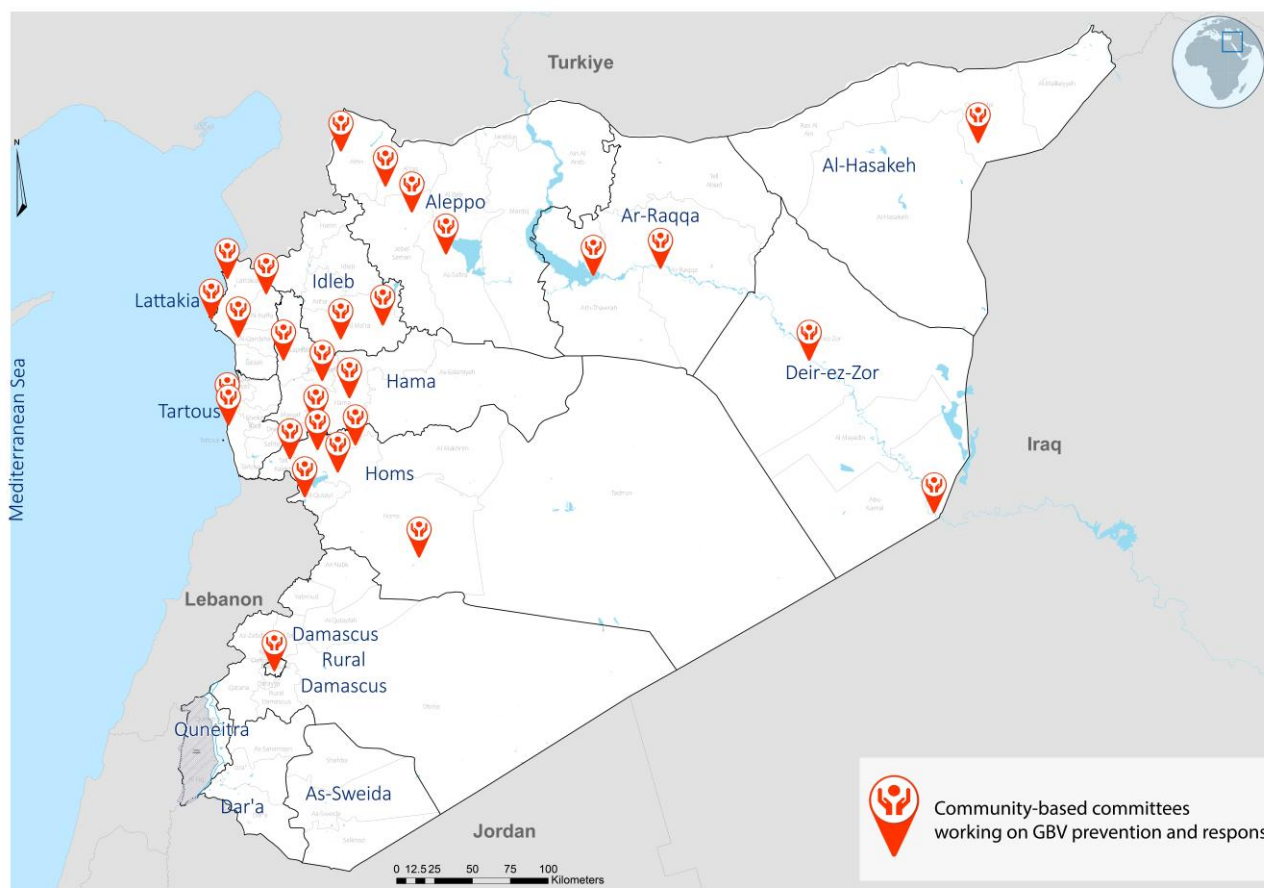


Community engagement

During the first half of 2025, UNHCR supported **88** women and men committees spread across the different governorates.

Women's committees comprising women of all ages and backgrounds play a central role in GBV awareness-raising and community mobilization. They were created to strengthen the role of women in decision-making within their communities. These committees focus on promoting gender equality, sensitization through awareness-raising in GBV prevention and response, women's legal rights, and available services. The committees also coordinate with UNHCR to assist vulnerable women in finding work.

Men's engagement in GBV prevention continued during the first half of 2025 by enhancing the role of men in preventing and responding to GBV as well as in challenging deep-seated cultural norms and power structures. During the reporting period, UNHCR support men's committees that are agents of change to support the empowerment of women and challenge harmful practices.



The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations



Capacity-building

During the first half the year, UNHCR trained **25** individuals (**18** females and **7** males) including partner staff and outreach volunteers on GBV prevention, risk mitigation, and response including the basic concepts of GBV, psychological first aid, and safe referral. This helped ensure that everyone involved knows how to mitigate risks, and can respond in a coordinated and survivor-centred way.